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THE SUMMARY OF THE 57TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Members Present

Presbytery : 27 Commissioners : Pastors - 151 Elders - 151

Discussed Items

I. Election of Officers

Moderator:	Chong Dai Kim	Vice-Moderator:	Ho Joon YU
Stated Clerk:	Maing Sool Park	Ass't-Stated Clerk:	In Shik EM
Recording Secretary:	Tu Bong Kim	" - R.S.	: Jae Sung JUN
Treasurer:	Sung Sup Kim	" - Treasurer	: Sae Hwan CHO

II. Nomination Committee Report: Accepted as the attachment

III. Polity Committee Report

1. Officers - Chairman: Kwang Hyun KIM, Secretary: Kun Myung JUN

2. Requests Granted

a) Voted to select the following members as the Constitution Amendment committee since further revision seemed necessary:

Pastors:	<u>Kwang Hyun KIM</u>	<u>Kun Myung JUN</u>	<u>Taik Jin EM</u>	<u>Man Jai KIM</u>
	<u>In Shik EM</u>	<u>Chi Soon PARK</u>	<u>Wan Suk HAHN</u>	<u>Tu Bong KIM</u>

Elders:	<u>Ku Joon KIM</u>	<u>Sung Hak PYUN</u>	<u>Hong Ki PARK</u>	<u>Sae Hwan CHO</u>
	<u>Hak Song CHUNG</u>	<u>Pi Duk KIM</u>	<u>Yung Joon LEE</u>	

- b) Voted to table the establishing of a committee to publish a Book of Constitutional Interpretation. In case required, interpretation should be referred to the Executive Committee.
- c) Voted to send Messrs. Man Jai Kim and Joong Hai Choi to guide and help two Ham Nam and Hwang Hae Presbyteries attain the required standard.
- d) Voted to agree in interpreting "Physically Healthy Person" as "the physical condition that is able to carry out the Pastoral responsibility" in the Article 23, 5th Chapter of the Constitution.
- e) Voted to agree in interpreting the item 5, article 25 of Polity in the Constitution, "Pastors engaged in other special Evangelistic Works" as Pastors without Charge if there is no connection with Presbytery or General Assembly but if there is any connection, "Special Pastor Evangelist". In item 6 "Connected Institution" means that "An Institution engaged in Literature or Educational Work having an official relationship with Presbytery or General Assembly" and those who are working in Schools, Factories or Evangelistic Organizations which are operated by any individual without having an official relationship with Presbytery or General Assembly are called "Pastors without Charge".

- f) Voted to place the selection of a special committee in the Preparatory Committee elected by the C.O.C. and the Executive Committee of the G.A. for the coming Mission Consultation with sister churches in Mission in 1973.
- g) Voted to hold the long range plan(Priority List) of the Mission property use prepared by the C.O.C. and to have a new plan worked out in a consultation between the C.O.C. and the G.A. Executive Committee and have it approved by the General Assembly.

3. Keimyung College Issues

- a) Voted to instruct Mr. Stanton Wilson, Chairman of the Board to call the Board meeting and correct the part of Charter which was illegally amended without having an official approval of the responsible Presbytery and it is noted that Mr. Wilson is responsible regardless of the reasons.
- b) Voted to instruct Keimyung College Board and Kyung-buk Presbytery to amend, so that the College may come under the G.A. and to present the document of the amendment to the Moderator of the General Assembly within the period of two months.

4. Kyung-Puk Presbytery Control Matter

- a) Voted to notify the decision that the newly organized presbytery with the Rev. Sang Kun KIM as the Moderator is illegal.
- b) Voted to advise and welcome without discipline the Rev. S.K.Kim and all involved if they return to the original Presbytery after dissolving their illegally organized presbytery even though it is an error to leave the Presbytery and even illegal to organize a Presbytery.
- c) Voted to appoint a co-ordinating Comm. of three, Polity -Chairman, Education-Chairman and Rev. Joong Hai CHOI, to deliver the advise and opinions of the General Assembly toward a peaceful settlement.

IV. Rules Committee Report

- 1. Officers - Chairman: Kyu Suk LEE Secretary: Shin Ok CHUNG
- 2. Tabled Matter -
 - a) Tabled matter of Amending the Rules was put to vote and it was rejected as follows, total 300 votes- affirmative 132, against 152, abstain 16.
- 3. Partial Amended Rules are as follows -
 - a) Changed item 9 to item 10 of Article 9, Chapter 3 and add "Chaplaincy Committee Members 15" to the item 9.
 - b) Changed item 9 to item 10 of Article 11, Chapter 3 and add "Duty of Chaplaincy Committee is charged with the work of military Evangelism" to the item 9.

V. Evangelism Committee Report

1. Officers - Chairman: Chi Yel PANG Secretary: Yong Oh MOON
Treasurer: Shun Yung SONG

Executive Committee- Chi Yel PANG, Yong Oh MOON
Hyung Suk SUH, Yung Ki KU
Won Jin KIM, Tu Rok KIM, Tong Hun YOON

2. Accepted Requests -

- a) Voted to instruct the G.A. Dept. of Evangelism to support the work of the presbytery in the pioneering evangelism of no church areas.
- b) Voted to request the C.O.C. for the expenses of construction and operation of an Industrial Evangelism Center in Pohang Union Steel Plant area.
- c) Voted to assign the Mission of Policemen to the Special Evangelism Sub-Committee in the G.A. Department of Evangelism.

VI. Finance Committee Report

1. Officers - Chairman: Won KONG Secretary: Il Dae CHUN
Executive Committee- Won KONG, Il Dae CHUN, Suk Ho SUH
Chong Mun KWON, Tu Hyun KIM,
Yung Tu CHOI, Tae Wun EYUM.

2. Auditor's Report - Voted to accept as the attachment.

3. Treasurer's Report- Voted to accept as the attachment.

4. Budget Discussion- Voted to place the Budget matters under the G.A. Executive Committee and the Finance Executive Comm. for review and operation.

Budget Correction (Expenditure)

General Relief- 300,000 won to 200,000 won
Vehicle - 1,200,000 won to 800,000 won
Reserve - 54,750 won to 504,750 won
Police Evang. Assistance- 30,000 won
Christian Student Federation Assist. 20,000 won

5. Requests Granted-

- a) Voted to accept the adjustment of the Membership Assessment (Amount and Area-grading) as the attachment.
- b) Voted to agree that the Reserve fund is used when the expenditure passes the original budget in the budget operation.
- c) Voted to continue the General Assembly Sunday Offering which was placed in the Finance Committee.
- d) Voted to place it in the Finance Committee to create a special committee for joint study on General Assembly Property.
- e) Voted to deny the request of assesment exemption for An Ju Presbytery proposed by Pyung Yang Presbytery Moderator Seh Hoon KIM.

- f) Voted to table the request of 1 % share from the budget of entire churches toward the budget of Mission to North Korea.
- g) Voted to table the request that the individual church will give 1 % of the yearly budget to the fund for the independence of the Theological College(Seoul)for six years.

VII. Society Committee Report

1. Officers - Chairman: Sung Su Kim, Secretary: Sung Du Kang,
Treasurer: Young Chul Yun.
Relief Sub-Comm Chairman: Hak Man Kim
Emergency Sub-Comm Chairman: Un Heng Baek
Executive Committee: Sung Su Kim, Sung Du Kang, Young Chul
Yun, Ahm Kim, Su Young Kim,
Un Hong Baek
2. Relief Offering- Following the prayer for the victims of Chung-Buk flood area, an offering was taken for relief.
3. Charity Foundation
 - a) Voted to place the business of the Charity Foundation under the General Assembly Society Committee.
 - b) Voted to grant the change of Basic Property List after the sale of the Charity Foundation Basic Property(An-yang Nursing Home Land, On-yang Land, Paul Dormitory, Calvin Dormitory).

VIII. Education Committee Report

1. Officers- Chairman: Wan Suk Hahn, Secretary: Young Nae Choi,
Treasurer: Yong Chan Choi
Executive Committee: Shin Myung Kang, Tong Soo Kim,
In Han Kim, Choong Suck Park,
Se Hwan Cho, Eun Ok Yu
2. Issues on Keimyung College and Christian Schools
 - a) Voted to ask, in the name of the Moderator, the chairman of the Board of the Directors of Keimyung College to change the charter that the college should have the same relationship with the General Assembly as other colleges under the General Assembly.
 - b) Voted to instruct, in the name of the Moderator, the chairman of the Board of the Directors of Keimyung College to follow the retirement system in the G.A. Constitution and replace members of the Board who passed the retirement age.
 - c) Voted to organize the following Study and Action Committee for the sake of satisfactory solutions between Christian Schools and Church versus the Ministry of Education.
Committee: Moderator, Kyung Chik Han, Shin Myung Kang, G.A. General Secretary, Chin Uk Shin.
 - d) Voted to instruct the Presbyteries and Sessions to discipline their ministers or elders when the Board Member appointed by the General Assembly or Presbytery, ignore the instructions or opinions of the dispatching body of the General Assembly or Presbytery.

3. Voted to propose the Committee on Hymnals that the new hymns adopted in the revised hymn book should be edited into the appendix section of the Hapdong Hymnals and the present price of hymn book should be lowered and if the above is not possible, let our G.A. Board of Christian Education study the possibility of publishing the hymn books independently.
4. Voted to organize a special committee and study on "God's Kingdom" (World Union Sunday School Lesson 1971, Adult Lesson 2 in P.13).
Special Committee: Moderator, Vice Moderator, Chong Sung Lee,
Chul Ha Han, Kyu Dang Kim
5. Appointment of members to the Yonsei University Board of Directors
 - a) Voted to appoint the Rev. Shin Myung Kang for the expired member of the Board.
 - b) Voted to recall Mr. Tae Shik Shin, a member of the Board and appoint the Rev. Se Jin Kim in his place.

IX. Agricultural and Rural Committee Report

1. Officers- Chairman: Si Won Kim, Secretary: Byung Don Park,
Treasurer: Chul Kyo Kim,
Executive Committee: Chul Kyo Kim, Byung Du Kang, Kyu Il Chan,
Sung Uk Kwang, Kuk Hyun Chang,
Ung Han Kim, Yong Jun Kim, Yang Soo Huh,
Si Won Kim
General Secretary: Jae Ki Kwak, Assoc. Gen. Sec.: Ju Sun Kang
Research Committee: Sun Chul Chang, Sung Won Kim,
Young Hwan Kim, Max Hyub Kim,
Kyu Dang Kim, Jong Sung Yim, Byung Duck Yi,
Yo Han Bo
2. Requests Granted
 - a) Voted to promote the establishment of scholarship institution and fund for the children of church workers in the fishing and agricultural area by each presbytery.
 - b) Voted to encourage purchasing the medical insurance for the agricultural and fishing area church workers that they may receive all benefits given by the General Assembly.
 - c) Voted to organize in each presbytery the agricultural and rural committee after the G.A. manner and that the work may be promoted.
 - d) Voted to encourage every church of more than 200 members to assist agricultural and fishing village churches with the ten percent of their church budget.
 - e) Voted to request the C.O.C. for \$200,000 into the scholarship fund for the children of agricultural and fishing village church workers as the mission property is transferred.

X. Theological Education Committee Report

1. Officers - Chairman: Keum Chan Suh, Secretary: Chi Hun Song
Executive Committee: Keum Chan Suh, Chi Hun Song, Ki Su Kim,
Hak Song Chung, Chan Young Son, Han Yong Park,
Hyun Bong Koh, Hyung Ki Oh.

2. Requests Granted

- a) Voted to grant the merger of Theological College and Seoul(Night) Presbyterian Seminary and they be called, "Presbyterian Theological College, Section II, Seoul Presbyterian Seminary".
- b) Voted to grant the change of title, Theological College to "Presbyterian Theological College".
- c) Voted to have a merger of Pastoral Counseling Study Center into the existing structure in the seminary.
- d) Voted to place the training of agricultural and rural church workers in the care of the seminary that they may study and promote it.

3. Theological College Board of Directors Requests Grnated

- a) Voted to approve the wording of selecting officers in the theological college juridical person, " the selecton is made among the candidates double in number nominated by the G.A. Theological Education Committee" in the Rules and By-Law of the Charter.
- b) Voted to approve the supplementary election of the expired members in the Board of Directors;

Ki-ho: Se Bin Chung, Ho Jun Yu
Chung-chong: Man Je Kim
Kyung-an: Kwang Hyun Kim

Kwan-buk: Kwon Chan Lee
Mission: O. DeCamp, G.T. Brown
Auditor: Hyung Nam Kim

XI. Chaplaincy Committee Report

1. Voted to create the Department of Chaplaincy.
2. Officers- Chairman: Kwan Young Cha, Secretary and Treasurer: Bong Duck Chung
Executive Committee: Kwan Young Cha, Bong Duck Chung, Kyung Un Ahn, Sun Kyung Lee, Dong Chang Lee.
3. Requests Granted:
 - a) Voted to ask all churches to have a Chaplaincy Sunday and receive offerings.
 - b) Voted to encourage churches to establish personal relationships with the chaplains in the Armed Forces and assist chaplains with more than ₩10,000 a month.
 - c) Voted to grant the permission to the students of Young-nam and Ho-nam seminaries, both of which received an "A" Class College recognition, to take the candidacy examination of military religions officer by the Ministry of Defense.

XII. Judicial Business Bureau Report

1. Officers- Bureau Chief: Mu Bong Kim, Secretary: Bong Kyu Song

2. The Treatment of Appeals

- a) Voted to accept the report of peaceful solution due to the withdrawal of the appeal by the original party in the Ul-san Church conflict of the Pusan Presbytery,
- b) Voted to suspend the ruling of the Judicial Business Bureau on the appeal made by Keisung Foundation against the decision of Kyung-buk Presbytery.
- c) Voted to accept the request of the Judicial Business Bureau that the appeals of the Rev. Sung Kyu Lee of Uijang-bu Church, Seoul East Presbytery against the ruling of Seoul East Presbytery will be postponed one year due to the incomplete items.
- d) Voted to return the case of appeal filed by Elder Chang Seung Uic of Sungdong Church in Pusan Presbytery against Han-nam Presbytery to the Bureau of Judicial Business for final ruling.
- e) Voted to proceed a trial on the case of the appeal filed by Mr. In Ku Yun, the Chairman of the Educational Foundation in Kyung Nam Presbytery and 9 others against the ruling of Kyung Nam Presbytery.

XIII. Examination Committee Report

1. Officers - Chairman: Sang Keun Lee, Secretary: Kyung Un Ahn
2. Requests Granted
 - a) Voted to bestow the right of announcing the names of candidates who satisfied the ordination examination upon the Examination Committee from 1973.
 - b) Voted to cancel the privilege of ordination for those who have not been ordained during the period of 5 years after passing the ordination examination.
3. Voted to approve the candidates who have satisfied the ordination examination as in the attachment.

XIV. North Korea Evangelism Action Committee Report

1. Officers - Chairman: Cho Jun Park, Secretary: Kwang Su Kim
Treasurer: Young Je Han
2. Requests Granted
 - a) Voted to merge the North Korea Evangelism Committee under the G.A. Evangelism Dept. into the North Korea Evangelism Action Committee.
 - b) Voted to approve creating a Financial Sub-Committee in the North Korea Evangelism Action Committee.
3. Voted to approve the continuation of Refuge Presbyteries until the unification of the country when they reach constitutionally required number.

XV. Lay Leadership Committee Report

1. Officers- Chairman: Ki Eun Lee, Secretary: Kwang Chun Kim,
Treasurer: Heung Kyung Chun
2. Requests Granted
 - a) Voted to grant the floor to the chairman of the National Association of Laity.
 - b) Voted to approve the Laymen's Sunday and Offering by the entire church.

XVI. Women Leadership Committee Report

1. Officers- Chairman: Chung Su Jin, Secretary: Kyung Shin Won
2. Requests Granted
 - a) Voted to approve that Women's Evangelistic National Association may give proper leadership to guide any group of unfortunate women.
 - b) Voted to approve that each association should take leadership of training women for the sake of quality improvement of women.
 - c) Voted to approve that research meeting for self-study on women leadership be held once a year.

XVII. Christian News Co. Report

1. Voted to approve the contract of the Christian News Co. Board of Directors and the budget as in the attachment.
2. Voted to instruct the entire church to send the Christian News for the sake of All Military Christianization Movement in the following manner:
 - a) Churches with more than 100 baptized members
 - 1) one copy per two baptized members in Seoul, Pusan, and Taegu area
 - 2) one copy per three baptized members in Kwangju, Seoncho, Mokpo, Kunsan, Iri, Chunju, Choonchon, Inchon, Taegon, Chunju area.
 - b) Other churches: one copy per four baptized members.

XVIII. Constitution Amendment Committee Report

Officers- Chairman: Kwang Hyun Kim, Secretary and Treasurer: In Seon

XIX. General Assembly Meeting Day Change

Voted to call the meeting of the General Assembly during the month of September every year.

XX. Floor Privilege Granted

Mission Fraternal Workers and members of Ham-nam Presbytery which has not attained the presbytery standard were given floor privileges in this General Assembly.

XXI. Miscellaneous

1. Voted to instruct the Kyung-nam Presbytery to present the statistical report.
2. Voted to approve a pact with the Presbyterian Church in Taiwan.
3. Voted to accept the resignation of the Rev. Shin Myung Kang as a member of Korean Christian Church Association.
4. Voted to suggest that printed design of General Assembly symbol be sent to every commissioner for opinions.
5. Voted to accept the proclamation on the State of Affairs as in the attachment.
6. Voted to send a letter of appreciation to Dong Shin Church for the meeting place of General Assembly and all the possible convenience.
7. Voted to place the incomplete items in the Executive Committee.
8. Voted to place the unadopted part of minutes in the Executive Committee for adoption.

Note: This is an unofficial translation of the summary of the 57th General Assembly done by Mr. Woo Chun SHIM and Mr. Edwin H. KANG